



July 2, 2013 Morning Tour Nine AM. Pickup at Comfort Inn. About 20 brave souls took the tour of the Flight 93 Memorial with Everett and Chris Sechler through pouring rain. Several were brave enough to walk down to the wall. (see below) Speaking of brave, or maybe stalwart, we need to thank Everett for his continued leadership in the annual Younkin celebration. He puts in a long day, starting 7 AM by supplying us with drinks, making coffee at the grove, then picking up folks for the tour. He is one of the last to finish, after the church service, where he delivers more drinks and hot dogs for our after-church meal. In between, he can be found writing checks, and backup for the auction. Applause for Everett and Chris! Also for Blair and Colleen, who had table covers on and cake picked up by the time we got to the grove.



Linda Steigh, left, and Louise Forsberg, right, both from CA brave the elements at Flight 93 with Flora in the center.

More news from the 2013 Reunion: Officers will remain the same for the coming year.

President, Toni Younkin
Vice Pres., Clark Brocht
Treasurer, Everett Sechler
Secretary, Linda Marker

A date and place for the Committee planning meeting was picked: Miedels Restaurant in Connellsville the 2nd Sun. of Oct. 2013. It's open to whoever would like to help with planning.

Johan Henrich Scholarship Program

Joey Sechler pulled the 50:50 ticket, which was won by Jean Younkin of VA. Jean donated her share of \$83.50 back into the Scholarship Fund. Thank you Jean for your generosity!



There was one Scholarship Application received this year, that of Charles Engleka, who is a Sophomore at

Frostburg State University and is carrying a 3.67 QPA average this year. He received a total of \$327.00. Charlie has attended many reunions in the past, but was unable to attend in 2013 because he had a paying gig with his band! *He is the s/o Jesse and Vietta, s/o Avis Younkin, d/o Benjamin Younkin, s/o of Harvey, s/o Wm Lincoln, s/o Frederick J, s/o Jacob, s/o Jacob, s/o Johann Heinrich Yunghen.*

We had KIDS this year! Four, count them FOUR



Little Joey Sechler is not alone anymore! Look how he's growing. Galen and Carol Younkin of Cleveland, brought Grandchildren, Alex and Justin Younkin. The baby is little Grace, the younger sister of Joey. Mother Michele is holding baby Grace.



Dr. Barb Zbrowski, left, kept us speechless with her slides and experiences with the Underground Railroad.

Keller's Church Report

A committee was appointed to contact the company recommended by the Keller's Church cemetery staff,

to investigate the cost and feasibility of incorporating the old stone of Henry Younkin into a new stone. We are permitted only ONE stone. Everett Sechler, Linda Marker, and Clark Brocht volunteered.

A note from Charlie Engleka: I would like to thank the Younkin Reunion for providing me the opportunity to apply for a scholarship. It greatly helped me out when buying my college textbooks.



Congratulations to **Devon Younkin Miller** on her graduation from North Carolina State University in May, 2013. Devon is the daughter of Jean Younkin and Jim Miller of Richmond, VA.

Devon Michelle Miller, d/o Jean Michelle Younkin and Jim Miller, d/o Donald Edgar Younkin, s/o Karst Eugene, s/o William E., s/o Aaron Schrock, s/o Jonas, s/o Jacob, s/o Johann Heinrich (Henry)

Born and raised in Richmond, Virginia, Devon Michelle Younkin Miller is the daughter of Jean Michelle Younkin and James Miller. Early on, she showed interest in arts and crafts, including watercolor painting and various yarn skills, and well as furry critters and snakes. As she grew older, Devon's focus shifted to activities such as archery, unicycling, Zen judo, and fire spinning. As a high school student, she co-attended both Douglas Freeman High School and Hermitage Technical Center in Richmond where she was active in FIRST Robotics and Skills USA. In 2011, Devon graduated

with an undergraduate degree in mechanical engineering from Virginia Commonwealth University where she was the recipient of both a School of Engineering scholarship and a university Provost scholarship. With the support of an NRC fellowship and graduate assistantship she then pursued graduate studies at the North Carolina State University from which this past May she received a masters degree in nuclear engineering. She is presently employed at the Newport News Shipbuilding as a nuclear engineer working on nuclear-powered aircraft carriers.

BLONDES AND REDHEADS!

Do you remember the little blondes and redheads that used to hang around the Younkin Reunion?



Jennifer is the world's best costume maker. She wins prizes all the time for her work. Logan is Corpse Bride and Jen is Luminaire from Beauty and the Beast.



Logan is attending high school half day at regular public school and then half day over at the technical career center and studying media and mass communications. She was one of the

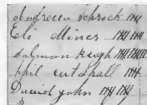
only sophomores invited to study there. She is straight A's and a gifted cartoon artist too. Here is a recent one of her cuddling her new kitten.

Jennifer is the daughter and Logan is the granddaughter of Donna Younkin Logan, d/o Donald Edgar Younkin, s/o Karst Eugene, s/o William E., s/o Aaron Schrock, s/o Jonas, s/o Jacob, s/o Johann Heinrich (Henry)

~ Susanna Younkin Schrock ~

By Mark A Miner

Susanna Younkin (1814-1891) was born in 1814. She married Andrew Schrock (1807-1889) on Dec. 12, 1841. In 1850, they resided in Upper Turkeyfoot Township, with Susan's 56-year-old father, Yankee John Younkin, under their roof and working as a laborer. Two houses away lived Daniel and Elizabeth Williams, whose daughter Amanda married Martin Miner.



Andrew's name in the back of his nephew's Civil War diary

During the Civil War, they corresponded with their nephew Ephraim Miner, a soldier with the 142nd Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, who was recovering from injuries at the Battle of Fredericksburg. In calendar year 1864, they

sent him at least five letters, which he noted with tick marks in the back of his daily diary. (The page is reproduced in the book *Well At This Time: The Civil War Diaries of Ephraim Miner*.)

The Schrocks are said to have had seven children, but tragically only two grew to adulthood, Perry Schrock and Ephraim Schrock. The others, who died young, included David Schrock, Sarah Schrock and Caroline Schrock.

When the Old Bethel Church of God was organized in about 1850, the Schrocks were charter members, along with John F. Kregar, Jonathan Dumbauld, A.W. Faidley, Henry Kregar and their spouses, as well as Josiah Gross, Susan Younkin, a fact recorded

in the book History of Bedford and Somerset Counties, Pennsylvania, published by Blackburn, Welfley and Koontz.

They are said to have had a small burying ground on their farm which later was owned by Elmer Pletcher. Their son David, said to have drowned in Laurel Hill Creek, is buried here, and his parents also.

Andrew died on the Fourth of July 1889, at the age of 83.

Susanna lived for another two years, and passed into eternity at the age of 76 on May 24, 1891. They are interred in the Kingwood Church of God Cemetery.

Son Perry Schrock (1845-1911) was born on Dec. 11, 1846. He married Christianna (?) (1842-1924). Perry died on Dec. 17, 1911, at age 66. Christianna outlived him by 13 years and passed away on June 13, 1924. They are buried in the Kingwood Church of God Cemetery. Their grave marker inscriptions were recorded during the Great Depression by laborers of the Works Progress Administration (WPA). Today the impressive marker is still standing and the texts are very legible.

Son Ephraim Schrock (1852-1920) was born on the Fourth of July 1852 near Kingwood. He married a cousin, Eleanor Josephine Ellen Younkin (1858-1938), daughter of Jacob C. and Lucy A. (Weimer) Younkin. They had nine children: Annie Melissa Schrock, Minnie Etta Schrock, George Reed Schrock, Ira Schrock, Elva M. Schrock, Della Mae Schrock, Ida Marie Schrock, Glenn H. Schrock and Harold "Harry" Schrock. Ephraim died in Kingwood on June 10, 1920, at the age of 67. His remains were interred in the Kingwood Odd Fellows Cemetery. Eleanor outlived him by 18 years, and moved into Connellsville, Fayette County. She died there at the age of 79 on Jan. 21, 1938.

~ Jacob H. "Devil Jake" Younkin ~
By Mark A Miner

Jacob H. "Devil Jake" Younkin (1808-1868) was born on April 6, 1808 in Turkeyfoot Township. He



Perry and Christianna's grave

married Sarah A. Tannehill (1827-1887), daughter of Zachariah and Mary A. (Lanning) Tannehill.

Many years after Jake's death, a Younkin researcher described how he derived his interesting nickname: "That he lived near the Jersey Church in Somerset Co. and was in the habit of getting drunk quite frequently, and on these sprees would cut some great capers. On one occasion am told he climbed on top of barn roof and had a great time. Also that there were several Jacob Younkin of his day and each had a distinguishing nickname."

Their children were Andrew J. Younkin, Messmore Younkin, John T. Younkin, Eli Younkin, Orphelia Younkin, George B. McClellan Younkin and Sarah "Sadie" Mitchell. The Younkins migrated in about 1863 from Turkeyfoot Township to Pennsville, a village north of Connellsville.

Jacob is said to have died on June 25, 1868. The place of his death, and burial site, are lost to history for now.

After four years as a widow, in 1872 Sarah moved into the city of Connellsville. The local newspaper once said that "She was a kind, affectionate mother. She was never more happy than when she could do a friend or neighbor any service... She was an earnest christian, and a consistent member of the Baptist church."

She married again to John Metcalf. He died during the 1880s of tuberculosis, or "consumption" as it was then known.

Her world was deeply shaken in January 1887, when her son John was killed in an accident at Hyndman, Somerset County. A fellow trainman, engineer Will Thorne, said that the deceased was "as brave a boy as ever opened a throttle or reversed a lever on this line." Connellsville's Keystone Courier printed a particularly detailed account of the incident, saying John was an engineer "of high repute:"

He has had several hairbreadth escapes on the Connellsville division, but his unusual luck deserted him this time. A westbound freight, due at Hyndman at 2 o'clock last Friday morning, arrived behind time, expecting to run into the siding there and clear the track for the eastbound Baltimore express. But the east end of the siding was blocked with cars and the freight train was compelled to

run on and back in at the other end. This consumed all its margin of time. The train had barely gotten into the siding when the express train came thundering down the mountain at a rate of thirty miles per hour. In the hurry and excitement the flagman either neglected to close the switch or did not have time to do so, and the flying passenger train ran into the siding and collided with the freight. The occupants of the freight engine jumped and escaped. Those on the passenger train were not so lucky... Younklin, the engineer, attempted to get off his engine, and had swung himself to the steps, but he was too late. Before he could jump, the engines came together with a tremendous clash, throwing him violently between his engine and its tender. While in that position, the rebound of the cars crushed his hip and injured him internally. He was brought to his home here the next day. He is still living, but his life hangs by a very slender thread.

John's mangled remains were laid to rest in Connellsville's Hill Grove Cemetery.

JOHN YOUNKIN'S MOTHER

STRUCK BY THE MAIL AND KILLED

*While Carrying Flowers to His Grave
How the Sad Accident Happened.*

Busy of Mrs. Younklin's Life

The most heart rending death which has been reported for Baltimore and Washington, on Tuesday morning, blotted out one life under circumstances peculiarly pathetic. The train left the depot on time. As it moved Gibson station, the quick, jerky "hoot! hoot! hoot!" of the locomotive whistle, as the train flew along, was the signal for every passenger's head to be poked out of a window. A great many people in town heard this signal and knew that some one was on the track. But

Afterward, said the Keystone Courier, "The death of her son John was a severe blow to her. She could scarcely be reconciled to her loss. There was nothing that consoled her more than to take an offering of flowers and strew them upon his grave."

Eight months after the accident, while on her way to place flowers on

Connellsville Keystone Courier, Aug. XX, 1887

her son's grave in August 1887, she decided to take the walking route near Gibson Station, rather than climb a steep hillside near the track. Tragically, she too was struck and killed by a moving locomotive, which was transporting the U.S. Mail to Baltimore and Washington, DC. She was struck near Trimble's store, where the curve of the track kept the train hidden until it was too late. Reported the Keystone Courier, "The train left the depot on time. As it neared Gibson station, the quick, jerky 'hoot! hoot! hoot!' of the locomotive whistle, as the train flew along, was the signal for every passenger's head to be poked out of a window. A great many people in town heard this signal and knew that some one was on the

track. But those on the train and at the station soon knew that an old lady had been struck and killed." Her broken remains were placed at rest in Hill Grove Cemetery, and a coroner's inquiry pronounced the senseless death as an accident. A search of Hill Grove records shows that while the son has a stone, she does not, and sleeps anonymously. The tragedy so touched the public's interest that for years afterward, at 10-year-anniversary increments, a short summary was republished in the Connellsville Daily Courier and also in 1937 in the Younklin Family News Bulletin.

YOUNKIN BROTHERS!



Younkin Brothers. Kenneth, Richard "Dick", Edward, James, and Chalmers "Ben" Richmond 1934

This handsome portrait of the Younklin Brothers was kept for many years by Lolly's mother, Olive "Betty" Younklin Sanner, the little sister of the above men. L-R Kenneth, Richard "Dick," Edward, James, and Chalmers "Ben." These are the sons of Harvey and Georgianna (Moon) Younklin of Hexie, and grandsons to Frederick J Younklin, our Civil War soldier. S/o Jacob, s/o Jacob.

Now the stories on these ornery guys are coming in: Lolly says that they transmitted a radio broadcast, using a brass bed as an antenna. She reports, "Ben is the handsome dark curly haired man on the end, Avis and Terry's dad. Ben had a knack for inventions, especially electrical, thus the story of him wiring up his brass bed and gathering all the neighborhood kids to broadcast the "Broadway Street Gang"

singing to most of Rockwood one Saturday morning. All was well till someone told his mom (my grandmother, Georgianna) about the singing..."

Now, Stuart's father, Don, tells us that the brass bed might have done for awhile, but that these boys had a regular antenna, set up on the Miller Building (now the Stoner Building) in Rockwood, and broadcast for several months. They had quite a few listeners around Rockwood, until the FCC shut them down! Their call letters were WWW (We Won't Work) This story just gets better!



Brother Jim the second from right was featured in National Geographic for his "coopering" skills. He attended the Kutztown Folk Festival for many years, and was known for his ability to make sugar keelers (wooden maple sap buckets) from 100% wood. We know,

Stuart, his grandson, who has attended the reunion in past years.

Kenneth, far left, married to Josephine Leaphart, was the quiet one. He loved gardening, but didn't say a lot.

Richard, second from the left, retired a full Colonel from the Army Air Force, and died not long ago in FL.

Saying Goodbye

Esther K. Miner
Formerly of Connellsville

Esther Katherine (Kuhn) Miner, 87, of Sterling, Va., formerly of Connellsville, died Friday morning, March 15, 2013, in Reston Hospital, Reston, Va. She was born Jan. 29, 1926, in East Huntingdon Township, a daughter of the late Celestine and Katherine (Weaver) Kuhn. Esther was a former member of the Scottdale Church of the Nazarene, the Missionary Society and the Ladies Fellowship of the church. She was a member of the Laurel Art Club since 1972. She was a former employee of Anchor Hocking Glass and Cap Corporation, of South Connellsville. Her memories will forever be cherished by those who knew and loved her including



her two loving children, Anna Mary Miner, of Uniontown, and Robert E. Miner and his wife, Susie Louise, of Sterling, Va., with whom Esther resided; her grandson, Michael Miner and his wife, Ariel, of

Sterling, Va.; and her great-granddaughter, Allie Ryan Miner. In addition to her parents, Esther was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Earl D. Miner, who died Sept. 7, 2002; a grandson, Joseph Miner, who died Aug. 22, 1994; three brothers, Sam and James Kuhn, who died April 13, 1999, and the Rev. John Kuhn; three sisters, Mary Infatino, who died Jan. 5, 1995, Pearl Hodgkiss, who died Aug. 14, 1991, and Sarah Kuhn, in infancy. Esther's family

will greet friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday in the FRANK KAPR FUNERAL HOME INC., 417 W. Pittsburgh St., Scottdale. Her funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday in the funeral home with the Rev. Jeffrey Welsh, Pastor of Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ, Scottdale, officiating. Committal services and interment will follow in Barren Run Cemetery, South Huntingdon Township.

Mark: Rest in peace: double Younkin cousin by marriage Esther (Kuhn) Miner of the family of Ephraim and Rosetta Miner of Kingwood, PA

Evert R. Rose Sr., 88, of Vanderbilt, died Friday, March 15, 2013, in Highlands Hospital, Connellsville. He was born June 29, 1924, in Mt. Pleasant, a son of the late Elmer W. and Hazel A. (Yauger) Rose. Evert retired from Bryce Bros. in Mt. Pleasant as a glass cutter. He was a World War II Army veteran. Evert was known for how well he played the guitar and shared his skills by playing in many country music bands. Evert is survived by his wife, Virginia Adams Rose; daughters, Virginia Ruby and husband, Jacob, of Connellsville, Sherry Murphy and husband, Earl, of Everson, Deborah Steffan and husband, Richard, of Scottdale, Gloria Fullem and companion, Mark Hay, of Connellsville, Bonnie Beagent and companion, Darren Grogan, of Connellsville, and April Rose, of Vanderbilt; sons, Evert Rose Jr. and Terry Rose, of Vanderbilt; stepchildren, Jesse Adams and Robert Rose, of Connellsville; several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; and first wife, Cerenia Rose. In addition to his parents, Evert was predeceased by a grandson, Christopher Stenger. Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday in the VITO C. MARTUCCI FUNERAL HOME, 123 S. First St., West Side, Connellsville, 724-628-9033, and until 10 a.m. Wednesday, the hour of service, with the Rev. Glen Wills officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Tabor Cemetery.

Mark: Rest in peace: Younkin cousin Evert R. Rose Sr. of the family of Andrew Jackson and Susanna (Miner) Rose Sr. of Kingwood & Normalville, PA

Marion Leo Younkin, 61, of Somerset, died March 30, 2013 at UPMC Montefiore, Pittsburgh, after a fight with cancer, clear to the end of his life. Born Oct. 30, 1951 in Casselman, the son of Earl L. and

Wilma Rose (DiGruttolo) Younkin. Preceded in death by parents and sisters Donna Joyce Younkin and Nancy Jo Younkin. Survived by wife, the former Debra Kay Arnold to whom he was married 29 years; sons, Dylan Younkin of Phoenixville and Bryce Younkin of Youngwood; brothers, Robert Younkin and wife Sandy of Casselman and twin brother Martin Younkin of Berlin. Marion loved his kids as much as life itself. He is a graduate of Rockwood High School. He worked for the last 40 years as a warehouse clerk for CVS Distribution Center. He is a former member of the Somerset Volunteer Fire Department, Scuba Team and EMT. He was a soccer referee and coach for Somerset School District and AYSO and PA West. He was also a member of Mt. Laurel United Church of Christ. Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Hauger-Zeigler Funeral Home, Somerset, where a service will immediately follow at 7 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Dr. Joseph M. Beer officiating. www.haugerzeigler.com

Marion was s/o Earl, s/o Martin, s/o John Frederick, s/o Wm Henry, s/o Frederick F, s/o Frederick G, s/o Henry Junghen.

Aleta W Leonard, of Harrisonburg, Va-Born 15 Oct 1917 in Iowa. Married to Ralph M Leonard. Died 23 Dec 2011, quickly and quietly at home, and was at peace. She so enjoyed reconnecting with her Younkin (Younkin) cousins. Her ashes were quietly spread in the Smokey Mountains National Park on Oct. 10, 2012, by her request. Her unassuming manner and pleasant treatment of those who cared for her in her final days were missed by all her caregivers.

Nola M. Hoover, 73, Champion, passed on June 24, 2013, at Conemaugh Hospital in Johnstown. Born Aug. 27, 1939, in Upper Turkeyfoot Township, she is the daughter of the late Harry R. and Cora (Sanner) Gary. She is also preceded in death by her first husband Lloyd Sterner; brothers James, Howard R., Orville, and Harold Gary; and sisters Judith Gary and Jean Phillippi. Nola is survived by her husband of 40 years, Darwin Lee "Tom" Hoover; children Lloyd W. Sterner and wife Margo of Fort Hill, Tammy S. (Sterner) Rohrs and husband Sieve of Glencoe, Greg W. Sterner and wife Kris of Rockwood, and Amy L. (Hoover) Tunstall and husband Shawn of Cranberry Township; grandchildren Von Sterner, Jessica L. (Berkey) McKenzie and husband James, Hannah S.

Rohrs, Cody Sterner, Kylee Sterner, Mackenzie Tunstall, and Sarah E. Rohrs; and sister Betty McClintock and husband Dwaine of Confluence. Nola loved flower gardening and her beloved pets. She was a member of Sought Out Ministries in Somerset. Friends will be received from noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday with a service to follow at 6 p.m. at Miller Funeral Home and Crematory, Rockwood, pastor Kathy Hay officiating. Private interment at Rockwood IOOF Cemetery. *Nola is d/o Harry Gary, s/o Minnie Minerd, d/o Ephraim Minerd, s/o Mary "Polly" Younkin, d/o Frederick G, s/o Johann Heinrich Junghen*

Marjorie Louise (Gray) James of Leslie, MI. Born August 23, 1924 in Scottsburg, IN, the daughter of the late Glen and Pearl (Jonas) Gray, passed away September 3, 2012 at the age of 88. Marge was brought to Lansing when she was 9 months old. The family lived in many places in Michigan including Topinabee, Kawkawlin, and Standish where she graduated from High School in 1943. The family then moved to Lansing where she obtained employment as a bookkeeper for Sears Roebuck and Co. on Michigan Ave. in downtown. Marge moved with Sears into the Frandor location where she met and married another Sears employee, C. Ronald James in August 1951 and he passed away in October of 1995. They had two sons, Gregory Alan and Jon Charles, with whom she lived and was cared for prior to her death. She is also survived by a sister Barbara Roberts of Denton, TX; brothers, Harold (Lauralyn Puffer) Gray of Charlotte, MI and Harvey (Barbara

Dane) Gray of Clermont, FL; as well as several nieces and nephews; and her beloved dog Sparky. Marjorie and her family were former owners of a DeWitt Township Motel, from 1958 through 1984, from where she retired. She loved to travel and tour our beautiful National Parks. Her most recent trip was in May 2012 to the Smokey Mountain Park. In 2010 she visited a park and climbed over 600 steps just to see a waterfall and proudly wore a T-shirt stating the fact. Marjorie was a member of the Leslie United Methodist Church of Leslie, MI. She did extensive genealogical research and had extensive history on both sides of the family. She was an avid collector of Fostoria American Crystal, along with salt dips, toothpick holders and music boxes. A funeral service will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, September 7, 2012 at Gorsline Runciman Funeral

Homes, 900 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI officiated by the Rev. Don Buege. The family will receive friends on Thursday, September 6, 2012 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Marge will be deeply missed by her family. For those desiring, in lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Leslie United Methodist Church, 401 S. Main St., Leslie, MI 49251 or the Capital Area



Humane Society, 7095 W. Grand River Ave., Lansing, MI 48906 in memory of Marge. The family is being served by Gorsline Runciman Funeral Homes. Published in Lansing State Journal on September 5, 2012

Marjorie Louise James, d/o Glen Harold & Pearl Goldie (Jonas) Gray, s/o Marcus R. & Marietta (Younkin) Gray, d/o Andrew Jackson & Lydia Ann (Guernsey) Younkin, s/o Samuel & Rachel (Deitz/Dietz) Younkin, s/o Jacob & Johanna (Hannah)(Nicola)Younkin Sr., s/o Johann Henrich & Catharina (Scherer/Sharer) Junghen

Thomas J Younkings, 82 of Munhall, PA, died Saturday, Feb. 23, 2013. He was the beloved husband to the late Loretta (Clipp), loving father to David J (Denise) Younkings of Munhall, brother to Teresa Stawartz, of West Mifflin, and the late Marguerite Pasafiume, Pauline Gable and Edward Younkings;

cherished grandfather to David J (Tara) Younkens Jr. and Dylan O Younkens; and great-grand father to Lino J Younkens. Tom was the son of the late Edward and Ethel (Yingling) Younkens. Friends rec'd. at George Irvin Green Funeral Home, Inc., 3511 Main St. Munhall, 412-461-6394, where a blessing service will be held.

Jane M (Ferguson) Younkin, of Richland Township, Allegheny Co. Pa, died Thursday, Feb. 21, 2013. She was the daughter of the late William and Dorothy (Hurley) Ferguson; beloved mother of Heather J (David) Muhl, of Parker, Nicole Vanderbush, of Georgia, Daniel L (Emily) Parsons and the late Colleen D. Younkin; grandmother of Amber, Joseph, Abigail, Ryan, Zachary, David and Logan; great-grandmother of America and Maisie; sister of Frank Ferguson of Texas; loving friend of Mathew Guarino, and survived by her cat, Boots. Friends may call at O'Brien's, 3724 California at Cooper Avenues, North Side, where there will be a funeral on Tuesday. In lieu of flowers, family suggests memorial contributions to The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, 960 Penn Ave., Suite 1000, Pittsburgh, PA 15552.

Brenda J. (Sterner) Baker, 67 of Royersford, passed away June 4, 2013, at Pottstown Memorial Medical Center with family members by her side. Brenda is survived by her husband of 43 years, Kenneth L. Baker. Brenda was born in Rockwood on Sept. 19, 1945. She is the daughter of the late Vernon And Bernice (Knopsnyder) Sterner. She was predeceased by her brother Barry Sterner. Survivors include her loving sisters, Donna (Gail) Baker, Delenna Cicman and her Aunt Doris Pritts. Brenda is survived by many special cousins, nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews. Services will be private. *Brenda is d/o Vernon Sterner, s/o Sadie Hechler, d/o Amanda Younkin, d/o Eli, s/o John M ("Lowry John"), s/o Jacob "of John" and Eleanor Younkin, s/o John, s/o Johann Heinrich*

Nez W. Breegle, 78, Rockwood, passed on April 15, 2013, at Conemaugh Memorial Medical Center in Johnstown. Born March 6, 1935, in Hunker, he is the son of the late Daniel and Daisy (Trout) Breegle. Nez is survived by his wife of 55 years, Evanell (Gary) Breegle; children Craig Breegle and wife Tammy (Lease) of Rockwood, Denise Kelly of Rockwood,

and Keith Breegle and wife Michelle (McMillen) of Rockwood; grandchildren Jason, Tara, Matthew, Keith Jr., Jeremy, Brianne, and Tyler; great-grandchildren Elijah, Gabe, Madelyn, Carter, Cooper, Isabella, and Davey; and sister Lois Miller and husband Joseph of Berlin. Nez was a retired self employed truck driver who also owned and operated Breegle's Boron Gas Station in Rockwood. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and was a former mayor of Rockwood Borough. Nez was a member of the Rockwood Alliance Church and loved to hunt, race stock cars, and spend time with his great-grandchildren. Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Rockwood Alliance Church at 438 Harvest Drive. There will be a service at 11 a.m. Friday with one hour of visitation prior to the service, Rev. Patrick Walsh officiating. Interment at Rockwood IOOF Cemetery. Arrangements by Miller Funeral Home and Crematory, Rockwood. *H/o Evanell Gary, d/o Lester Gary, s/o Minnie Miner, d/o Ephraim Miner, s/o Mary "Polly" Younkin, d/o Frederick G, s/o Johann Heinrich Junghen*

Erma E. White, 89, of Acme, died Sunday, April 7, 2013, at the home of her daughter in Acme. She was born Aug. 15, 1923, in Normalville, a daughter of the late Earl and Mabel Snyder Richter. Mrs. White was a member of the Clinton Church of God. She is survived by two children, Judy Kalp and her husband, Fred, of Acme, and Robert White and his wife, Elaine, of Acme; five grandchildren, Kimberly Adkison, of North Carolina, Lisa Stouffer and her husband, Jason, of New Alexandria, Barry Kalp, of Titusville, Shannon Fess and her husband, Paul, of Mt. Pleasant, and Cale White and his wife, Karla, of Acme; eight great-grandchildren, Brandon Fess, Brett Fess, Michael Adkison, Kate Adkison, Megan Stouffer, Josiah Stouffer, Marissa White and Mallory White; two brothers-in-law, French Kooser, of Normalville, and Edward Grimm, of Acme; and several nieces and nephews. Mrs. White was the last surviving member of her immediate family. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Ivan L. White, in 1999; and four sisters, Beulah Berger, Helen Nicholson, Grace Kooser and Mae Grimm. Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday and from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the CLYDE BROOKS FUNERAL HOME INC., corner of Municipal Building Road and Route 711, Melcroft, where services will be held at 1

p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Joseph Wingrove Jr. officiating. Interment will follow in the Normalville Cemetery.

Harry A. "Joe" Sanner, 66, of Mt. Pleasant, passed away peacefully at home Saturday, April 6, 2013, with his family by his side. He was born July 2, 1946, in Normalville, a son of the late Elsie Sanner and Birdie Richter, of Everson, and the late Calvin Richter. Harry was preceded in death by his father-in-law and mother-in-law, John and Olive (Kantorik) Werry; and sister-in-law, Dorothy Werry. He was a member of Mt. Pleasant Church of God. Harry enjoyed hunting and the outdoors. Prior to retirement, Harry was employed for 20 years by Klocek Vault Company, Mt. Pleasant. Harry was the loving husband of 42 years to Donna R. (Werry) Sanner. He is also survived by two special loving girls, Alicia and McKayla Basinger; his siblings, Kenneth (Rose) Richter, of Mt. Pleasant, Velma (Butch) Williams, of Dawson, Carrie Campbell, Kathy Harris and Beatrice Stillwagon; his brothers-in-law, Thomas Werry, of Stahlstown, Ronald (Allene) Werry, of Acme; and nieces, nephews and cousins. Family and friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in the JAY A. HOFFER FUNERAL HOME, 2245 Mt. Pleasant Road, Norvelt, 15674, where his funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday with Randy Hall officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Tabor Cemetery, Springfield Township.

Martha Grace (Younkin) Knopsnyder, 85, of Somerset went to be with the Lord July 15, 2013 at her home. Born Dec. 6, 1927, in Markleton, daughter of James Arthur and Mahala Elizabeth (King) Younkin. Preceded in death by parents, husband Clarence Syrus Knopsnyder, son Rickey J. Knopsnyder, great-grandsons: Joey L. Rogers and Elijah J. Shaulis, sisters: Ruth Tressler and Sara May, and brothers Charles, Robert and Melvin "Bud" Younkin. Survived by daughters Loretta White, Judy and Bruce Struckoff, Amy and Kevin Seifert; sons: Robert and Connie, Barry and Diane, John, Charles and Roxanne, Clarence and Amy, Mike and Sue Knopsnyder, numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Brother Paul Younkin, and sisters Mary Jane Pugh and Shirley Merryman. Martha retired from Gilmour Mfg. in 1994 with 21 years of service. She was a

member of the Somerset Church of the Nazarene, she enjoyed cooking meals for her children and grandchildren, playing card games and quilting. Friends received one hour prior to the service which will be conducted 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 17, 2013 at **Hauger-Zeigler Funeral Home, Somerset**, with the Rev. Robert Henderson officiating. Interment: Somerset County Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Somerset "In Touch" Hospice, P.O. Box 1172, Somerset, PA 15501.

Estella F. Strawderman, 94 of Indian Head died Monday August 26, 2013 in the Guardian Angels Personal Care Home, Perryopolis. She was born December 6, 1918 in Donegal a daughter of the late Edison T. and Anna N. Kalp Beck. Mrs. Strawderman was formerly employed at Seven Springs Mountain Resort and she attended the Mt. Nebo Church of God. She is survived by two children, Shirley Olbrysh of Seven Hills, Ohio and Merle Strawderman and his wife Betty of Woodbridge, Va.; four grandchildren; six great grandchildren and one brother Carl Beck of Indian Head. In addition to her parents she was predeceased by her husband Melvin R. Strawderman; a brother Merle Beck; a sister Helen Stahl and a son-in-law Richard Olbrysh. Friends will be received from 2-4, 6-8 P.M. Thursday in the Clyde Brooks Funeral Home, Inc., corner of Municipal Building Road and Route 711, Melcroft where services will be held on Friday at 10:00 A.M. with Pastor Ron Schaeffer officiating. Interment will follow in the Donegal Cemetery. To sign the guest registry please visit www.brooksfuneralhomes.com *Estella was the wife of biological son of Wm. Lincoln Miner, s/o Ephraim Miner, s/o Mary "Polly" Younkin, d/o Frederick G. s/o Johann Heinrich Junghen*

Carol I. "Weasel" Dwire, 67, of Derry died unexpectedly on Thursday, Sept. 5, 2013 at Excelsa Latrobe Hospital. She was born Nov. 28, 1945 in Somerset, a daughter of the late John M. and Hazel Younkin Barclay. She was a member of the Trinity Evangelical Church of Derry. Carol had retired from Airo Die Casting in 2008 and had volunteered for Meals on Wheels for Latrobe Hospital. She was a member of the Derry VFD Ladies Auxiliary, the Derry Ukes, Derry F.O.E. and the Derry American Legion. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by two sisters; Lois Corcoran and Joan

Sanner. She is survived by her loving family: daughter Briana R. Tomack (Joe), her three sons, Eric W. Dwire (Debbie) of Charleston, W.Va., Brock E. Dwire (Carole), and Barry E. Dwire Jr. (Shari), all of Derry; a sister, Avis Latuch of Conway, S.C.; and a brother John C. Barclay (Beverly) of Rockwood; eight grandchildren: Kayla, Joshua, Johnna, Trenton, Olivia, Morgan, Samuel and Alex; several cousins, nieces, nephews, and her loyal companion Oreo. Friends will be received from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday and from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday in the McCabe Funeral Home, 300 W. Third Avenue, Derry, where a service will be conducted at 10 a.m. Monday with the Rev. John D. Tollner officiating. Interment will follow in Rockwood Cemetery, Rockwood. Memorial contributions may be made to Meals on Wheels or the Westmoreland County Food Bank. *Carol is d/o Hazel Younkin, d/o Charles E, s/o Wm Henry, s/o Frederick F, s/o Frederick G, s/o Johann Heinrich Junghen*

Otis Lowell Sterner, 71, of Somerset, formerly of Rockwood, passed on Sept. 5, 2013 at home. Born Jan. 18, 1942 in Black Township, he is a son of the late Ralph and Fern (Knopsnyder) Sterner. He is also preceded in death by his wife Bernice Mae Miller Leasock Sterner; brothers Alton and Lloyd; and sister Lorraine Boden. Otis is survived by his brothers Warren and Ray of Rockwood, and Lee of Somerset; sister Ruth Bailey of Michigan; step-sons Steven W. Leasock of Germany and John Charles Leasock of Winchester, Va.; step-daughter Cynthia Raye Leasock Mimna Witosky of Friedens; step-grandchildren: Michael, Joshua, Aliya, Zachary, and Nathan Leasock, Allison Mimna, and Briley Strayer; and many nieces and nephews. Otis worked many years at both the Rockwood Insurance Co. and Rockwood Manufacturing. He was a lifetime member of the Rockwood Fire Dept., the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and formerly of the Rockwood Sportsmen. He was a member of the Rockwood Church of the Brethren. He loved to watch the Pirates and Steelers. There will be a memorial service held at a later time. Interment at Rockwood IOOF Cemetery. Arrangements by Miller Funeral Home and Crematory, Somerset. *Otis is s/o Ralph Sterner, s/o Sadie Hechler, d/o Amanda Younkin, d/o Eli, s/o John M ("Lowry John"), s/o Jacob "of John" and Eleanor Younkin, s/o John, s/o Johann Heinrich Junghen*

Shirley A. Bruening, 75, of Connellsville, died Sunday, Sept. 8, 2013, at her home. She was born June 14, 1938, in Bullsken Township, a daughter of the late Warren and Prudence Younkin. Shirley was a 1956 graduate of Connellsville High School and a member of Connellsville Presbyterian Church. She is survived by her husband, Donald F. Bruening; two sons, Lee Cornell and his wife, Lisa, of Long Island, N.Y., and Russel Bruening, of New Mexico; four grandchildren, Justin and Max Cornell and Phoebe and Alexander Bruening; one great-grandchild; and one sister, Ruth Nicklow, of Bullsken Township. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by a sister, Betty Swartzwelder; and two brothers, Elmer and "Bud" Younkin. Friends will be received 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the BROOKS FUNERAL HOME INC., 111 E. Green St., Connellsville, where services will be held 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, with the Rev. Suzanne Zampella officiating. Interment will follow in Green Ridge Memorial Park, Pennsville. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to Connellsville Presbyterian Church in memory of Shirley A. Bruening. *D/o Warren Dempsey Younkin, s/o Wm Dayton, s/o George A, s/o George, s/o John Michael, s/o Johann Heinrich Junghen*

Patricia A. Hoover Foreman, 73, of Confluence, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2013 in Select Specialty Hospital, Johnstown. She was born June 12, 1940 in Upper Turkeyfoot Township, a daughter of Loyal Ray and Eva Grace (Ohler) Hoover. Her parents, husband Tim, and brothers Robert and David Hoover preceded her in death. She is survived by a daughter, Melissa Torchia and husband Troy of California; step-daughter, Krista Campbell and husband Gary, and grandson Max Campbell, all of Ohio; brother, Allen Hoover and wife Holly, Ohio; and sisters-in-law, Gretta Hoover of Ohio, and Deanna Kimbel and husband Miles of Arkansas. Patty, a registered nurse, retired as the nursing care coordinator for Gladman Memorial Hospital in Oakland, Calif. Interment in Old Bethel Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements by Humbert Funeral Home, Confluence. *Patty is the d/o Eva Ohler, d/o Mattie Jane Younkin, d/o William Henry Younkin & Ida Hyatt, s/o Jacob W "Weasel Jake" s/o Jacob, s/o Jacob, s/o Johan Heinrich Junghen*

Elmer H. Ohler, 89, of Somerset, died April 15, 2013 in Somerset Hospital. He was born December 23, 1923 in Upper Turkeyfoot Twp., a son of Alexander and Mattie Jane (Younkin) Ohler. His parents, brothers, Charles and Harold and sisters, Elsie Kreger, Alice Porterfield, Eva Hoover and Mildred Ohler preceded him in death. He is survived by a son, Roy H. Ohler and wife, Jeannie of Florida and a daughter, Cathy King and husband, Thomas of St. Leonard, MD; eight grandchildren, nine great grandchildren and a sister, Sarah Singo and husband, Frank, of Markleton. Elmer retired from Laurel Hill State park. He was a veteran of the US Army. Friends will be received at the Humbert Funeral Home in Confluence on Friday, April 19 from 2-4 and 6-8 PM. A funeral service will follow the viewing at 8 PM with Rev. James Monticue officiating. *Elmer is the s/o Mattie Jane Younkin, d/o William Henry Younkin & Ida Hyatt, s/o Jacob W "Weasel Jake" s/o Jacob, s/o Jacob, s/o Johan Heinrich Junghen*

Kathleen J. Wheaton Smith, 83, of Markleton, passed away Saturday, Sept. 14, 2013 in Memorial Medical Center, Johnstown. She was born Sept. 21, 1929 in Upper Turkeyfoot Township, a daughter of Frank and Hazel (Tressler) Younkin. Her parents; husbands, Douglas F. Wheaton and William Robert Smith; brothers, Robert, William and Randall Younkin; and a stepgrandson, Wayne Morgan preceded her in death. She is survived by a daughter, Sharyn Morgan and husband Doug, and a son, Douglas Wheaton and wife Wanda, all of Rockwood; eight grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; sister, Dolly Kinsinger and husband Ed, Confluence; and brother, Cenneth Younkin, who she raised, and his wife, Dorothy, Rockwood. Friends will be received from 2 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the Humbert Funeral Home in Confluence, where a service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday with Rev. James Monticue and Rev. Paul Tobias officiating. Interment in Kingwood I.O.O.F. Cemetery. *D/o Frank Younkin, s/o Wm Lincoln, s/o Frederick J, s/o Jacob, s/o Jacob, s/o Johan Heinrich Junghen*

James D. Fisher, 87, of Rockwood, passed on Sept. 22, 2013 at Conemaugh Hospital in Johnstown. Born Jan. 14, 1926 in Champion, he is a son of the late Lewis and Margaret (Reese) Fisher. He is also preceded in death by his sisters Melva Miller and

Ada Belle Miller; and brothers Harold, Charles, Berkey and Harry Fisher. Jim is survived by his wife of 62 years, Delores (Phillippi) Fisher; daughter, Betty Lou Pyle and husband Larry of Somerset; sons, Dennis Fisher and wife Peggy of Arizona and Marvin Fisher and Diane of Bradenton, Fla.; grandchildren: Kimberly Schmuck and husband Steve, Jill Peck and husband Jeremy, and Lance Fisher; great-grandchildren: Caleb and Allison Schmuck, and Makayla, Hannah and Brayden Peck; and many nieces and nephews including special nephew Chad Humbert. Jim attended Milford United Methodist Church. He loved hunting and fishing, rooting for the Pirates and Steelers, and spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. A celebration of Jim's life will take place at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Milford United Methodist Church with friends received for one hour prior to the service, pastor John Phipps officiating. Interment will be private. *H/o Delores Phillippi, d/o Ray Rossi Phillippi, s/o Etta Trimpey, d/o John S Trimpey and Nancy Younkin, d/o of Frederick F, s/o Frederick, s/o Heinrich Junghen.*

Kenneth R. Younkin, 64, of Confluence, died Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013 in Somerset Hospital. He was born Nov. 14, 1948 in Canton, Illinois, a son of the late James K. and Thelma L. (Howard) Younkin. Two sisters also preceded him in death. He is survived by an uncle, Ross Younkin, and an aunt, Dorothy Kegler. Ken served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam where he was twice awarded a Purple Heart and also received the Distinguished Service Medal. There will be no viewing or services. Arrangements by Humbert Funeral Home, Confluence. *S/o James K, s/o John B, s/o Freeman & Berlanda, s/o Harman, s/o John J, s/o Jacob, s/o Johann Heinrich Jungken*

Carole J. Berkebile, 67, Stoystown, died Dec. 4, 2013, at home. Born Jan. 11, 1946, in Hooversville, daughter of Kirkland and Helen (Saunders) Gorsuch. Preceded in death by parents; infant son Mark; and brother John Gorsuch. Survived by her husband of 41 years, Ronald R.; children: Kirk Gennett married to the former Tracy Horten, Hooversville; Kylie married to Michael Lamb, Patton; and Kelly Berkebile, Stoystown; grandchildren: Colton and Caden Gennett, Megan, Madison and Paige Lamb and Tyler Berkebile; brother: Robert Gorsuch married to the former Aldine Secrest, Hooversville; and sister-in-law: Patricia Gorsuch, Doylestown, Ohio. She was a 1963 graduate of Forbes High School. She was a

member of the Lutheran Faith, a charter member of the Stoystown American Legion Auxiliary, member of the Hooversville V.F.W. Auxiliary, and a former member of the Stoystown Fire Co. where she helped with bingo. She enjoyed her grandchildren and her cats. Family will receive friends from 2 p.m. until service at 5 p.m. Saturday at Deaner Funeral Home, Stoystown, Pastor Sharon Fox officiating. Interment Somerset County Memorial Park. Instead of flowers contributions may be given to In Touch Hospice, P.O. Box 1173, Somerset, PA 15501 or the Somerset Country Humane Society, P.O. Box 182, Somerset, PA 15501. *D/o Kirkland Gorsuch, s/o Carl V, s/o Martha Miner, d/o Charles Miner, s/o Catherine Younkin, d/o John, s/o Heinrich Junghen.*

Charles "Chuck" Harry Rosendale, 85, of Connellsville, passed away Saturday, Dec. 28, 2013, in Excelsa Health Frick Hospital E.R. after a long and courageous battle with MDS Leukemia. He was born Feb. 24, 1928, in Connellsville. His parents were the late Charles and Mary Jane Richter Rosendale, of Connellsville.



Charles "Chuck" Harry Rosendale

Chuck worked as a carpenter with Union No. 2274 of Pittsburgh. He worked for many years for the Sofis Company Inc. of Clinton. He served in the 5th Army Air Force and was stationed

at Nagasaki Air Base in Japan. He was a life member of the VFW Post 21 of Connellsville. He was an active member for 40 years with the Connellsville Township Volunteer Fire Department and later a life member. His hobbies included gardening, building his home and some woodworking. He read his bible every day and read through it at least once a year. He also enjoyed walking his Yorkie, "Mocha". He formerly was a member of the East Connellsville United Methodist Church and now a member of the Otterbein United Methodist Church. He and his wife, Nesta, were married for 64 years this past August. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by a son, Ronald Charles Rosendale in 1953; a brother,

Howard Rosendale; and sisters, Dorothy Harshman, Charlotte Miller and Alice Hyatt. He will be sadly missed and loved forever by his devoted family, his wife, Nesta Ruth Showman Rosendale; his children, Barbara Rosendale, of New Stanton, and Keith Rosendale, of Connellsville; his grandchildren, Tricia Haas, of New Stanton, and Craig Mulroy, of Long Beach, Calif.; great-granddaughter, Kya Haas, of New Stanton, (now attending University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg). He is also survived by a sister, Betty Lou Napper, of Warren, Mich.; sisters-in-law; and nieces and nephews also survive. Friends will be received from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday and from 1 to 4 and 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the BROOKS FUNERAL HOME INC., 111 E. Green St., Connellsville. There will be no viewing or visitation Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2014. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday in the funeral home with the Rev. Doug Johnson officiating. Interment will follow in the Normalville Cemetery. Military Honors will be accorded by the Connellsville VFW and American Legion and Trotter American Legion Honor Guard. The Connellsville Township Volunteer Fire Department will conduct a memorial service at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home. *H/o Nesta Showman, d/o Edward C Showman, s/o Albert Showman, s/o Jane Younkin, d/o George Younkin, s/o John Younkin, s/o Johann Heinrich Junghen*

Rev. Samuel Jean Weible, 88, Boswell, went to be with the Lord Oct. 10, 2013 at Somerset In Touch Hospice House. Born July 14, 1925 in Shade Township, a son of Jacob J.C. and Martha Etta (Naugle) Weible. Preceded in death by parents; brothers: Maurice, Raymond, Henry, Lorenzo, Guy, Harry, and Mervin; sisters: Rosanna Miller and Erva Rivera; and grandson Christopher J. Tressler. Survived by his wife of 41 years, the former Lois "Maxine" Younkin; children: Calvin (Daniel Halvorsen) Weible, Lewes, Delaware; Vivian (Doug) Gyorke, South Park; James (Sharon) Weible, Mill Run; Gerald Weible, Central City; Sheila (Jake) Tressler; and Kimberly Fulmer, all of Boswell; 12 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren; sister Frieda Snowden, Bedford; special nephew Glenn Rivera; special niece Gloria Flegle; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was a 1943 graduate of Shade High School and was a W.W. II U.S. Navy Veteran. He was a coal miner, a federal mine inspector, and a United Methodist minister. Member of Jennerstown United Methodist Church, American Legion Post

257, Stoystown, U.M.W.A., and a Meals on Wheels volunteer. He enjoyed hunting, gardening, and peeling potatoes. As a minister, he touched the lives of many people through his personal commitment and dedication to the Lord, and until the moment he went to the Lord, led people to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday and 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday at Deane Funeral Home, Stoystown. Funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Jennerstown United Methodist Church, Rev. William Blair and Rev. Chuck Hildbold officiating. Interment Otterbein Cemetery, Wilbur. Graveside military rites by the Somerset County Honor Guard. Memorial contributions may be given to In Touch Hospice, P.O. Box 1173, Somerset, PA 15501. *H/o Lois "Maxine" Younkin, d/o Benjamin R Younkins, s/o James A, s/o Benjamin Younkins, b. 2 Oct 1830 of Lower Burrell, Westmoreland Co., PA s/o Michael, s/o Michael Younkins & Barbara Cochler of Northampton Co., PA*

Helen I. Tressler, 90, of Harnedsville, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2014, at her home. She was born June 19, 1923, in Lower Turkeyfoot Twp., a daughter of Roy Mathias and Mable Maude (Speicher) Colflesh. Her parents, brothers, Lawrence "Bill," Earl "Bud," Joseph, Robert and Terry and a sister, Mae Fike preceded her in death. She is survived by her husband of 72 years, Mahlon, daughters, Linda Holliday and husband, Bill and Diana Walker and husband, Wayne, all of Confluence; a son, Walter, Louisville, Ky.; grandchildren, Kerry Clark and Kristie Clark Stockwell and husband, Dan, Confluence; and sister, Pearl Bittner, Friendsville, Md. Helen was a member of the Silbaugh United Methodist Church. Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Humbert Funeral Home in Confluence, where a service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday with Pastor Samuel McClintock officiating. Interment in Silbaugh Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations in Helen's memory to the American Heart Association or Somerset In Touch Hospice. *D/o Roy Colflesh, s/o Sarah Jane Younkin, d/o Harmon, s/o John J, s/o Jacob, s/o Heinrich Jungken*

Lester G. Williams Jr., 70, of Latrobe, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2014, in Excelsa Health Latrobe Hospital with his wife and son by his side. He was born Aug. 4, 1943, in Somerset, a son of the late Lester G. Williams Sr. and Esther (Miner) Williams

Vesek Lester was a carpenter by trade and was the owner of Williams Remodeling and Home Improvement. He was a Vietnam veteran having served in the Marine Corps. In his earlier years, Lester was an avid hunter and fisherman. Lester loved spending time with his family and vacationing at Myrtle Beach and Disney World, but his most precious times were spent with his two granddaughters who were the loves of his life. Lester will always be remembered as a loving husband, father and grandfather. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, William, Clifford and Edward Williams; a sister-in-law, Jeanne Brinker; a brother-in-law, Charles P. Myers Jr.; and a nephew, Ryan Brinker. He is survived by his loving wife of 45 years, Marlane (Myers) Williams; one son, Lester G. Williams III and his wife, Diane, of Latrobe; two sisters, Shirley Tallion and her husband, Terry, of Somerset, and Linda Weitz, of Florida; sister-in-law, Carmelita Myers, of Latrobe; brothers-in-law, Michael Myers and his wife, Evone, of Latrobe, and Mark Brinker and his wife, Kathy, of Ligonier; two granddaughters, Kayla and Miley, whom he adored; and a number of nieces and nephews. Family and friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in the JOHN J. LOPATICH FUNERAL HOME INC., 601 Weldon St., Latrobe. Members of the Rolling Rock Detachment of the Marine Corps will hold services at 8:30 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home. Military services will be conducted at 11:15 a.m. Saturday in the funeral home by the American Legion Post 515 and VFW Post 3414. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon Saturday at St. Vincent Basilica with the Rev. Justin Matro, OSB, as celebrant. Interment will be at St. Vincent Cemetery. *s/o Esther Miner, d/o William Mullen Miner, s/o Charles Marion Miner, s/o Eli, s/o... Catherine Younkin Miner, d/o John and Catharina (Dorscheimer) Younkin*

**Join Us at the 23rd Annual Junghen/Younkin Family Reunion
July 25-27, 2014 at the Kingwood Odd Fellows Picnic Grove in Kingwood, PA**

REUNION SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday, July 25th AN EVENING OF GENEALOGY! 6-11:00 pm – Meet at the Somerset, PA Comfort Inn Conference Room. Bring your genealogy records and photos! Younkin family history records will be available for your viewing, and intensively self-trained genealogists will be there to answer your questions and help with your family tree. Chat with old friends and make some new ones!

Saturday, July 26th THE PICNIC! 9:00-10:30 am – A CARAVAN will leave the IOOF Grove at 9:00 AM for a special tour of the Frederick G Younkin farm & cemetery. Kay Lynn & Mark Miner will be tour leaders. Kay Lynn says the farm was Est.1786 by Frederick G Younkin. The barn was built in early 1800's and was 40x80. Great Grandson, W. D. Younkin added and widened the barn to 50x120. It was the 3rd largest barn in Somerset Co. 30 yrs ago. There are two Younkin farms side by side. Mark Miner has an excellent article on the neighboring farm at http://www.minerd.com/bio-younkin_salomeliston.htm

11:00 am – Reunion Officially Begins at the Kingwood IOOF Picnic Grove, Route 281 between New Centerville and Confluence! (It's about a 25-minute drive South from Somerset, PA)

12:00 noon – Group photo taken before the lunch.

12:15 pm – Lunch catered by C&R Catering. A roast beef and ham lunch with all the fixings! Costs this year will be \$9.00 per person. Children under 10 years old are free.

1:15 pm Program – "Hunting for Dead People" by Carolyn McKinney, who has catalogued every known cemetery in Somerset County. Her stories & memories.

1:30 pm – Business meeting with election of reunion committee officers for next year.

2:30 pm – AUCTION FUNDRAISER – Please donate home baked goods or items **made by you, a Younkin, descendant**, for this auction.

3:00 to 4:00 pm – Bring your Younkin pictures and memorabilia for all to see. Donna's discs with information will be made available...or just sit around and catch up with cousins or meet some new cousins.

5:00 pm – Family Church Service at the Mt. Union Church, at the corner of Turkeyfoot Trail and Mt. Union Road in Upper Turkeyfoot Township. This will be a 150th Civil War Remembrance service, with our Younkin cousin, Rev. Jay Christner. A light picnic lunch will be served AFTER the Church Service. Cookies needed.

8:00 pm – Comfort Inn Conference Room open for visiting.

Sunday, July 27th WRAP-UP! 8:00 am – Breakfast at the Somerset Comfort Inn (Everyone's Invited!). Then spend the rest of your day visiting relatives or sites of interest in the Somerset area.

QUESTIONS? Feel free to contact the following reunion committee members for any questions you may have:

Toni Younkin, President Phone: 724-747-2465 Email: tmycey@yahoo.com

Linda Marker, Secretary Phone: 814-352-8029 Email: Lmarker1@zoominternet.net

FINAL NOTE: If you have family member who may be interested in this year's reunion, please give them a call, or send them a copy of this invitation.

COMING FROM OUT OF TOWN? NEED A PLACE TO STAY?

If you need accommodations for the weekend, most of us stay at the Comfort Inn in Somerset just off the Somerset Exit of the Pennsylvania Turnpike. If you would like to make reservations there, please call the hotel directly at 814-445-9611 and tell them you are attending the Younkin Reunion for a discount. You must make these reservations by June 20th to get the discount, as the hotel is holding a group of rooms for us until then. Flora Howell is in charge of hotel coordination, meeting room and Sunday breakfast. Call her for questions: 330-733-8435

2014 JUNGHEN/YOUNKIN FAMILY REUNION REGISTRATION

☐ Sorry, cannot attend this year but please keep us on your mailing list
☐ WILL ATTEND REUNION
☐ Staying at the Comfort Inn
☐ Attending Friday night at the Comfort Inn
☐ Attending Church on Sat. Evening
☐ Attending Breakfast (Cost not included) at the Comfort Inn
☐ Will attending Saturday Morning Tour – Frederick G Younklin farm

(Please Print Clearly – or stick on a mailing label if you have one)

FIRST NAME _____ LAST NAME _____
ADDRESS _____

Phone Number _____ Email Address _____

List those attending in your family group. Please write clearly so that the name buttons can be made correctly. \$9.00 per person for the luncheon (lunch is free for children under 10-years old, just indicate the age of the child below):

_____ \$ _____ \$ _____
_____ \$ _____ \$ _____

_____ Number of lunch reservations above X \$9.00 per adult = \$ _____
You can list additional family members on back of reservation sheet.

Six Raffle tickets are enclosed. We'll have a 50-50 drawing. Ticket holder gets half. The other 50% will go to the Johann Heinrich Junghen Scholarship. Scholarship Application is enclosed. Winner will be chosen by drawing among Applicants who meet the requirements on the Application. The committee decided to encourage the next generation to show an interest in their Younklin heritage and to support higher education for our Younklin descendants.

Costs are \$1 per ticket, or \$5 for 6 tickets. PLEASE, write your name and phone number on half the ticket stubs enclosed and RETURN with your registration and check for meals.

A number of people chose NOT to buy tickets last year, and donated 100% into the Scholarship Fund. That is an option! Just designate in writing what is to go into the Scholarship.

TOTAL MONEY ENCLOSED \$ _____

Make your checks payable to: YOUNKIN FAMILY REUNION

Please mail in your registration form and check by **JUNE 20, 2014**, so we can get a count in for the food caterer.

NO MEAL RESERVATIONS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER THIS DATE!

REPEAT: NO PAID RESERVATION BY JUNE 20 - NO EAT!

And please, for the safety of all, NO PETS!

Mail your registration form and check to:

Linda Marker, 1489 Trent Rd; Rockwood, PA 15557

THE DATE OF THE 2015 REUNION WILL BE: July 24-26th, 2015